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### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

[0056] Thereupon, the article W supported by the upper fork member 54 is transferred (unloaded) to the article unloading section 5, by means of combined operations of raising or lowering the fork device 51 by actuating the raising and lowering means 71, and retracting the fork device 51. This is shown in Fig. 10(d).

[0064] Subsequently, the article W supported on the upper fork member 54 is transferred (unloaded) onto the article unloading section 5, by means of combined operations of raising and lowering the fork device 51 via operation of the raising and lowering means 71, and of extending and retracting the fork device 51. This is depicted in Fig. 12(d).

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